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<b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b>	<b>RESPIRATORY CARE PRACTICE ADVISORY COUNCIL OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE AND DISCIPLINE</b>
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>	<b>Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	861 Silver Lake Boulevard Second Floor Conference Room B, Cannon Building Dover, Delaware
<b>MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:</b>	June 8, 2016

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Christina Cipolla, Council Member, Chairperson  
Crystal Cordrey, Council Member, Vice Chairperson  
Joseph M. Parise, D.O., Physician Council Member  
Juanita Bernard, Council Member  
Charles McElroy, Council Member  
Francis Gott, III, Council Member

**DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General  
Devashree Brittingham, Executive Director

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Michael Eddy, Council Member

**ALSO PRESENT**

Joel M. Brown  
Pat Redmond  
Mike Kurliand

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Cipolla called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

**REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Council reviewed the meeting minutes from April 13, 2016 for approval. Dr. Parise moved, seconded by Ms. Bernard., to approve the minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Rules and Regulations Hearing - Section 8.0 Regarding Continuing Education Requirements & Section 11.0 Implementing Standards for Telehealth Practice & Public Comment In Response to Rules and Regulations Hearing - Nemours A.I. duPont Hospital for Children

At 3:03 p.m., the public hearing was called to order. Verbatim testimony was recorded. Ms. Kelly stated the purpose of the hearing. The following items were marked as exhibits for the record: Council Exhibit 1 – News Journal publication affidavit; Council Exhibit 2 – Delaware State News publication affidavit and Council Exhibit 3 – Public comment received from Nemours A.I. duPont Hospital for Children (Nemours). The council introduced themselves for the record. Ms. Kelly opened the floor to the public for comment.

Joel Brown, Director of Respiratory Care at Nemours addressed the Council. Mr. Brown read the written statement Nemours provided the Council prior to the hearing. Mr. Brown recommended a change to Regulation 11.0 regarding the location of the patient during treatment. Mr. Brown described a scenario where a Nemours would want or have the need to treat at their out of state facility in Florida. Mr. Brown commended the Council for the clarity of the revised continuing education requirements.

Dr. Parise inquired what means of telehealth would be used to treat patients outside the state and a scenario of where a Nemours patient would be out of state and for how long. Michael Kurliand, Director of Telehealth at Nemours addressed the Council in response to Dr. Parise's questions. Mr. Kurliand described the ability with the use of telemedicine to be able to follow a patient who treats regularly in Delaware but may be on vacation in Florida and to be able to provide better continuity of care through the use of telemedicine practices while the patient is in Florida. Mr. Kurliand stated that currently telehealth is only being provided through audio video and all telemedicine contact is documented in the hospital's EMR. Telehealth services would be for follow up patient care and for existing patients at this time.

Dr. Parise discussed the fact that currently the state where the patient is in has the controlling licensing law and to consider that state's licensing law in order to avoid unlicensed practice in a state a practitioner does not hold a license.

At 3:18 p.m., the Council went off the record. The public comment period will remain open for 15 days.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Review Applications for Licensure as a Respiratory Care Practitioner

None

CE Audit Review- Amber Monique Haes

The Council reviewed Amber Haes' additional documentation she submitted to satisfy her audit. Mr. McElroy moved, seconded by Ms. Cipolla, to accept the CE's as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Consider Candidates for Appointment to the Respiratory Care Practice Advisory Council - Paul R. O'Brien, R.R.T and Lori Boylan, R.R.T-NPS

The Council tabled the consideration and discussion of appointing candidates Paul R. O'Brien, R.R.T and Lori Boylan, R.R.T-NPS for next month's agenda to provide an opportunity to increase the number of potential candidates interested in servicing on the Respiratory Care Practice Advisory Council.

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**OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment was provided during the Rules and Regulations hearing.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 8 2016 at 3:00 p.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room B, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard in Dover.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Parise moved, seconded by Ms. Cipolla, to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Devashree Brittingham, MBA  
Executive Director